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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 19, 2000

APPLICATION OF

POWERTRUST.COM, INC.,

CASE NO. PUE000481

and

POWERTRUST ENERGY SERVICES, INC.,

For a license to conduct
business as a competitive
service provider in natural
gas retail access pilot programs

ORDER GRANTING WAIVER

On September 25, 2000, PowerTrust.com, Inc. ("PowerTrust"), and PowerTrust Energy Services, Inc. ("PowerTrust Energy Services")(collectively, "Applicants"), filed a motion requesting a waiver of the Commission's Interim Rules Governing Electric and Natural Gas Retail Access Pilot Programs ("Interim Rules"), 20 VAC 5-311-60 B, which requires participants in retail access pilot programs previously approved by the Commission to comply with the Interim Rules by September 25, 2000. Applicants specifically request the Commission to extend the deadline established by the Interim Rules for filing an application to become licensed as a competitive service provider and aggregator from September 25, 2000, to December 1, 2000.

Applicants state that PowerTrust is a service agent in Virginia for Perry Energy Services and, as such, is

participating in the Washington Gas Light Company ("Washington Gas") natural gas retail access pilot program. Applicants also state that PowerTrust Energy Services has been approved to participate in the Washington Gas pilot program contingent upon PowerTrust Energy Services posting the necessary credit requirements.

In support of their request, Applicants state that the requested extension of time and waiver is necessary so that PowerTrust Energy Services may develop its application to become licensed as a competitive service provider and aggregator to participate in Virginia's natural gas retail access pilot programs¹. In addition, Applicants state that the requested extension will allow any of PowerTrust's present responsibilities to be seamlessly transferred to PowerTrust Energy Services.

Upon consideration of the above-referenced motion, the Commission will grant a waiver until December 1, 2000, for Applicants to file any application for a license as a competitive service provider and aggregator. Applicants did not request, and the Commission does not grant, a waiver of any other requirements of the Interim Rules. Applicants should

¹ Applicants also note that they are considering whether certain of PowerTrust's customer functions will become the responsibility of PowerTrust Energy Services. The division and/or assignment of certain responsibilities will determine whether a single or a joint application for licensure will be required.

comply with all other provisions of the Interim Rules, 20 VAC 5-311-20, governing competitive service providers and aggregators.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Case No. PUE000481 is hereby established for this application and the motion filed September 25, 2000, shall be filed therein.

(2) As provided by the Interim Rules, 20 VAC 5-311-60 A, PowerTrust and PowerTrust Energy Services are granted a waiver of 20 VAC 5-311-60 B to the extent that PowerTrust and PowerTrust Energy Services shall be authorized to apply by December 1, 2000, for licensure as a competitive service provider and aggregator in retail gas access pilot programs.

(3) On or before December 1, 2000, PowerTrust and PowerTrust Energy Services, shall file either a single or a joint application for a license as a competitive service provider in retail access pilot programs with the Clerk of the Commission in this case, Case No. PUE000481.

(4) This case shall be continued generally.